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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

POMPEJUS et al.

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For: GENES OF BIOSYNTHESIS FROM ASHBYA GOSSYPII AND THE USE
THEREOF IN MICROBIAL RIBOFLAVIN SYNTHESIS

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION
UNDER 37 CFR §1.143

Sir:

In response to the office action dated March 17, 2002, applicants respectfully
request reconsideration of the restriction requirement based on the following remarks,
in accordance with 37 CFR §1.143.